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1. KNOWLEDGEABLE SOVIET SCHOLAR (USA INSTITUTE) IN CONVERSATION APRIL 20 CONFIRMED REPORT WHICH IS NOW MAKING ROUNDS: CC PLENUM ON APRIL 23 WILL FOCUS INTER ALIA ON FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEMS, IN PARTICULAR UPCOMING TRIPS ABROAD BY BREZHNEV.

2. AT SAME FUNCTION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF USA INSITIUTE DESCRIBED TO US CURRENT ECONOMIC DEBATES WITHIN REGIME, INCLUDING ORGANIZATION OF FOREIGN TRADE AND POSSIBILITY THAT ECONOMIC ASSOCIATIONS (" OBYEDINENIYA") WILL BE PERMITTED DIRECT CONTACT WITH WESTERN FIRMS. HIS COMMENTS TEND TO SUPPORT EMBASSY' S VIEW (REFTEL) THAT NEW APPROACHES TO ECONOMIC QUESTIONS, IN PARTICULAR ECONOMIC TIES WITH THE WEST, MAY ALSO FIGURE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN PLENUM DELIBERATIONS.

3. WE NOTE THAT LEAD ARTICLE DEVOTED TO LENIN IN IZVESTIYA APRIL 19 DWELT AT GREAT LENGTH ON NEED TO ADAPT POLICY TO CONSTANTLY CHANGING REALITY AND CALLED ATTENTION TO DECISIONS AND DOCUMENTS OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE WHICH ARE " MODEL OF LENINIST APPROACH TO NEW PROBLEMS ARISING FROM LIFE, THE DEMANDS OF
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COMMUNIST CONSTRUCTION AND THE SPECIFICS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION." ARTICLE NOTES THAT DOGMATISM IS " ORGANICALLY FOREIGN TO LENIN", THAT LENIN SAID MARXIST SHOULD " STUDY... PRECISE FACTS OF REALITY AND NOT CONTINUE TO BE CHAINED BY THEORY OF YESTERYEAR," AND THAT PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTING REVOLUTION IS LINKED WITH " SHARP ' UNPLANNED' TURN OF EVENTS." APPARENTLY TO JUSTIFY WHAT CHANGES ARE INVOLVED-- PRESUMABLY IN RELATIONS WITH WEST-- IZVESTIYA REMINDS ITS DOGMATIC READERS THAT LENIN' S POLITICAL TACTICS INVOLVED " NOT ONLY METHOD OF OFFENSIVE STRUGGLE BUT ALSO ABILITY WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE TO ACCEPT COMPROMISE,..."
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